

# EXHIBIT # O



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1 THE CLERK: Case number six on the calendar, indictment 4521  
2 of '94, Kenneth Petty.

3 Judge, my client has an application.

4 The People have indicated they're willing to allow the  
5 defendant to re-instate the plea that was taken earlier on this case  
6 and I have spoken to my client and he wishes to do so with the  
7 Court's permission.

8 THE COURT: Well we have to go through the allocution and  
9 obtain the facts.

10 (Whereupon the defendant was sworn by the clerk of the court.)

11 THE COURT: What's your name, please?

12 THE DEFENDANT: Kenny Petty.

13 THE COURT: Do you understand English?

14 THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

15 THE COURT: Is that your lawyer, Ms. Michaelson, standing next  
16 to you?

17 THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

18 THE COURT: Did you hear and understand the application and  
19 guilty plea she made to the Court a few moments ago on your behalf  
20 which was that she wishes to -- she said that you wish to re-instate  
21 your guilty plea that you had entered into in this case on November  
22 10, 1994 in which you pleaded guilty to an attempted rape in the  
23 first degree under the first count of the indictment.

24 Is that what you wish to plead?

25 THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

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1 THE COURT: Have you had a full and complete opportunity to  
2 discuss your plea in this case with your lawyer and at the end of  
3 that discussion, did you ask her to make this application for you?

4 THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

5 THE COURT: Do you now wish to withdraw your prior plea of not  
6 guilty and plead guilty at this time to the charge of attempted rape  
7 in the first degree under the first count of the indictment, a  
8 Class C violent felony, to cover all of the charges against you in  
9 this indictment?

10 THE DEFENDANT: Yes, sir.

11 THE COURT: Are you pleading guilty because you are in fact  
12 guilty?

13 THE DEFENDANT: No.

14 MS. MICHAELSON: You cannot take the plea if you're not guilty.

15 THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

16 THE COURT: What's your answer?

17 THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

18 THE COURT: Has anybody threatened you, coerced you or forced  
19 you to plead guilty?

20 THE DEFENDANT: No.

21 THE COURT: Are you pleading guilty voluntarily?

22 THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

23 THE COURT: Do you understand that you have the constitutional  
24 right to a speedy trial before a jury on these charges and that the  
25 People have the burden of proving these charges beyond a reasonable

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1 doubt to a unanimous jury and that the Court is prepared to begin  
2 that trial shortly if you so desire?

3 Do you understand that?

4 THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

5 THE COURT: Do you further understand that if you were to  
6 proceed to trial, you would have the right to confront the witnesses  
7 against you and further, your lawyer will have a full opportunity to  
8 cross-examine these witnesses and you would also have a right to  
9 present witnesses on your own behalf.

10 Do you understand that?

11 THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

12 THE COURT: Have you had the opportunity to discuss with your  
13 lawyer any defenses you may have to the charges brought against you?

14 THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

15 THE COURT: Do you realize that by pleading guilty to --

16 MS. MICHAELSON: One second.

17 You did not discuss the defenses.

18 THE DEFENDANT: Like what?

19 MS. MICHAELSON: About the trial and how it would go.

20 THE COURT: I guess I misheard you on that.

21 MS. MICHAELSON: He said no but now he is changing his answer  
22 to yes.

23 THE COURT: I'm going to ask that question again: Have you had  
24 the opportunity to discuss with your lawyer any defenses you may  
25 have to the charges brought against you?

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1 THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

2 THE COURT: Do you realize by pleading guilty to a felony today  
3 this plea could serve as the basis for increased sentences in the  
4 future should you commit and be convicted of any felony in the  
5 future.

6 Do you understand that?

7 THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

8 THE COURT: Also, if you were to proceed to trial, you could  
9 not be compelled to incriminate yourself in any way and that would  
10 include not being compelled to take the stand and testify against  
11 yourself, although you would have the right to take the stand on  
12 your own behalf at the time of the trial if you wish to do so.

13 Do you understand that?

14 THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

15 THE COURT: Do you now wish to waive all of these rights and  
16 plead guilty to the charge of attempted rape in the first degree?

17 THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

18 THE COURT: Do you understand that if your guilty plea is  
19 acceptable to the Court, it is the same as if you had a trial and  
20 were found guilty?

21 THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

22 THE COURT: Did your lawyer tell you there was a discussion  
23 among the attorneys and the Court concerning the possible  
24 disposition and sentence in this case?

25 THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

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1 THE COURT: Did she further tell you that the Court indicated  
2 that it would give favorable consideration of imposing a sentence of  
3 incarceration of not less than one and a half and no more than four  
4 and a half years if after reading the probation report that such  
5 sentence would be in the interest of justice?

6 THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

7 THE COURT: Did your lawyer also tell you if after reading the  
8 probation report the Court comes to the conclusion that the interest  
9 of justice requires that you be given a longer sentence, then you  
10 will be given the choice of accepting that longer sentence or  
11 withdrawing this plea of guilt without prejudice. That's if the  
12 Court cannot keep the promise with respect to the sentence, you can  
13 make your plea and go on trial.

14 Do you understand all of that?

15 THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

16 THE COURT: Has anybody made any promises other than what I  
17 have told you?

18 THE DEFENDANT: No.

19 THE COURT: Do you still wish to plead guilty?

20 THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

21 THE COURT: By pleading guilty, are you admitting that on or  
22 about September 16, 1994 in the County of Queens, being male, you  
23 attempted to engage in sexual intercourse with Jennifer Haugh,  
24 H-A-U-G-H, a female, by means of forcible compulsion.

25 Is that correct?

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1 THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

2 THE COURT: Where did this take place?

3 THE DEFENDANT: 123-40 Elm Street.

4 THE COURT: Is that in the County of Queens?

5 THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

6 THE COURT: And what is located at that address?

7 THE DEFENDANT: My grandmother's house.

8 THE COURT: Your grandmother's house?

9 THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

10 THE COURT: And were you there at that time with Jennifer  
11 Haugh?

12 THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

13 THE COURT: And did you attempt to engage in sexual intercourse  
14 with her by force at that time?

15 THE DEFENDANT: No -- yes.

16 THE COURT: Counsel, would you step up, please?

17 (Whereupon a discussion was held between all counsel and the Court  
18 off the record at side-bar.)

19 MS. MICHAELSON: All right. Judge --

20 THE COURT: As I indicated to counsel, I wish to go over this  
21 again because I wasn't satisfied with the taking of a plea of guilt  
22 to the crime and I'm going to give the defendant an opportunity to  
23 respond to my questions again. The Court can ascertain whether the  
24 defendant is pleading guilty or not.

25 What's your name, please?



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7 its promise with respect to the sentence, you can take back your  
8 plea and go on trial.

9 Do you understand that, all of that?

10 THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

11 THE COURT: Has anybody made any promises other than what  
12 I have told you?

13 THE DEFENDANT: Yes -- no.

14 THE COURT: Just so the record is clear, has anybody made any  
15 promises other than what I have told you?

16 THE DEFENDANT: No.

17 THE COURT: You still wish to plead guilty?

18 THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

19 THE COURT: By pleading guilty, are you admitting that on or  
20 about September 16, 1994 in the County of Queens, being a male, you  
21 attempted to engage in sexual intercourse with Jennifer Haugh, a  
22 female, by the means of forcible compulsion; is that correct?

23 THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

24 THE COURT: Now where did that take place?

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1 THE COURT: What's located at that address?

2 THE DEFENDANT: My grandmother's house.

3 THE COURT: And were you there with --

4 THE DEFENDANT: My grandmother.

5 THE COURT: And --

6 THE DEFENDANT: Jennifer.

7 THE COURT: Were you in a room alone with her?

8 THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

9 THE COURT: What did you attempt to do on that occasion?

10 THE DEFENDANT: I attempted to rape her.

11 THE COURT: And how did you attempt to do that?

12 THE DEFENDANT: By having sex with her.

13 THE COURT: Okay. Well you just told me that you attempted to  
14 have sexual intercourse with her by means of forcible compulsion.

15 And could you tell me what it is that you did that you  
16 attempted to do that involved force on your part?

17 THE DEFENDANT: I grabbed her and thrown her on to the bed  
18 and tried to rape her.

19 THE COURT: How tall are you?

20 THE DEFENDANT: Six-one.

21 THE COURT: How tall was she at the time?

22 THE DEFENDANT: I don't know.

23 THE COURT: Well are you bigger than she is?

24 THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

25 THE COURT: Heavier than she is?

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1 THE DEFENDANT: No.

2 THE COURT: About the same weight?

3 THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

4 THE COURT: You say you grabbed her with your hands or arms?

5 THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

6 THE COURT: What part of your body did you grab her with?

7 THE DEFENDANT: With my hands.

8 THE COURT: You grabbed her arms?

9 THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

10 THE COURT: You threw her down?

11 THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

12 THE COURT: And you got on top of her?

13 THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

14 THE COURT: All right.

15 SNAO: Do you remember when you were interviewed by the  
16 assistant district attorney the day that you were arrested?

17 THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

18 SNAO: You signed a form, allowing the police to go into your  
19 house?

20 THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

21 SNAO: And on that form it said that they were allowed to look  
22 for a knife, a long knife?

23 THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

24 SNAO: Did you hold that long knife when you had Jennifer Haugh  
25 in the bedroom with you?

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1 THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

2 SNAO: Did you use that when you tried to throw her down on to  
3 the bed?

4 THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

5 SNAO: All in the room?

6 THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

7 THE COURT: Is there a waiver?

8 SNAO: Your Honor, I filled out a waiver and I'm handing it  
9 over to the defense counsel. (Handing.)

10 MS. MICHAELSON: Judge, I'm handing up a Waiver of Appeal  
11 signed by myself and the defendant.

12 THE COURT: Okay. All right. Mr. Petty, do you understand in  
13 every case the defendant has a right to appeal?

14 THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

15 THE COURT: In this case you're waiving your right to appeal?

16 THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

17 THE COURT: Have you discussed this with your attorney?

18 THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

19 THE COURT: Has anybody threatened you, coerced you or forced  
20 you to waive your right to appeal?

21 THE DEFENDANT: No.

22 THE COURT: Do you do so voluntarily?

23 THE DEFENDANT: Yes.

24 THE COURT: Do you understand by waiving your right to appeal  
25 you waive your right to appeal from the judgment of conviction

1           herein and it's including but not limited to any decision by this  
2           Court on any motion and also waives your right to appeal from this  
3           sentence in this case.

4                     Do you understand that?

5                     THE DEFENDANT:   Yes.

6                     THE COURT:    Is that what you wish to do?

7                     THE DEFENDANT:   Yes.

8                     THE COURT:    Do you understand by waiving your right to appeal  
9           you waive your right to have somebody appointed to represent you in  
10          an Appellate Court in the event that you can not afford an attorney  
11          for that purpose and that purpose would have submitted a brief or  
12          argued in your behalf before the Appellate Court on any of the  
13          issues relating to your conviction and sentence, but by waiving your  
14          right to appeal you waive your right to have that happen.

15                    Do you understand that?

16                    THE DEFENDANT:   Yes.

17                    THE COURT:    The defendant has executed a waiver of the right to  
18          appeal form. His attorney has signed it, this Court is affixing his  
19          signature as well.

20                    This will remain in the file pending sentence in this case and  
21          the Court will accept the plea.

22                    MS. MICHAELSON:   Judge, we have the probation report. We ask  
23          that the sentence be imposed now.

24                    THE COURT:    We do have a probation report in this case. The  
25          defendant has been incarcerated since this report so that I do not



1 believe another report is necessary.

2 Does the defendant waive any -- do the People wish to be heard  
3 on the sentence?

4 SNAO: Your Honor, the sentence -- this case has been  
5 conferenced quite frequently during the course of the pendency, your  
6 Honor, the People would rely upon the imposition of the intended  
7 sentence.

8 MS. MICHAELSON: Judge, I would ask that you consider waiving  
9 the mandatory surcharge in light of the defendant's age and  
10 indigency. He is being represented by Legal Aid.

11 THE COURT: Mr. Petty, do you have anything to say on your own  
12 behalf before you're sentenced?

13 THE DEFENDANT: No.

14 THE COURT: After reading the probation report and taking into  
15 consideration the statements made before me today and all the facts  
16 and circumstances therein, the Court renders the following sentence:  
17 It is the judgment of the Court that he be sentenced as follows:  
18 Attempted rape in the first degree, a Class C violent felony, to an  
19 indeterminate term of imprisonment of no less than one and a half  
20 years and no more than four and a half years.

21 And there's a \$150 mandatory surcharge and a \$5 crime victim  
22 assistance fee.

23 I appreciate your application, however, under the  
24 circumstances, the application is premature. Inmate's funds is the  
25 appropriate manner in lieu of incarceration in view of the

1 incarceration for this matter.

2 MS. MICHAELSON: Judge, I'm going to ask that you not go into  
3 the surcharge, that you allow the parents to pay the surcharge, give  
4 them a month's time to pay it and not take it from inmate's funds.

5 THE COURT: The problem there is if it's not paid within that  
6 time I have no jurisdiction over the parents, I only have  
7 jurisdiction over him and if it doesn't get paid, if he gets paid --

8 MS. MICHAELSON: Do you want to --

9 THE COURT: We can change that requirement.

10 MS. MICHAELSON: Can you change it from -- give the parents a  
11 month to pay it and if they don't pay it then change it to inmate  
12 funds?

13 THE COURT: I prefer to say inmate funds and if it's paid we  
14 can give that information to Corrections so that it's not taken out.  
15 If it's been paid if it's been --

16 MS. MICHAELSON: Maybe I will have her send it to his inmate's  
17 funds, can't you do that?

18 THE COURT: See if it's paid. If it's paid.

19 MS. MICHAELSON: Thank you.

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23 PROCEEDING BY DAWN SPANO.

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